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In re Patent Application of: Randolph J. Noelle et al.

Application No.: 09/888,639

Filing Date: June 26, 2001

For: METHODS FOR INDUCING T CELL

TOLERANCE TO A TISSUE OR ORGAN

GRAFT

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Official Action mailed on July 1, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1, 4-15 and 17-50, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Applicants submit herewith (1) a Petition for an Extension of Time for Five (5) Months, to and including July 30, 2004; and (2) a Request for Continued Examination, both accompanied by the required fee.